



LIVE WORTHY OF THE GOSPEL

Philippians 1:27-2:4

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Good morning Church! We read about Paul being willing to pause his personal desire to be literally with Christ and was confident that God has further work for him to do among the Philippians.

Philippians 1:25-30

*"Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, **26** so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.*

Two things that Paul longs to see the church experience:

- PROGRESS that is moves forward in the RIGHT direction.
- The increase of your FAITH leads to the increase of your JOY.

1. Our CONFIDENCE and CONVICTIONS Are To Be Led by CHRIST.

Philippians 1:27-30

*"Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, **28** and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. **29** For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, **30** engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have."*

Philippians 2:1-4

*"So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, **2** complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. **3** Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. **4** Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others."*

2. Our CONDUCT Should Reflect Christ in SPIRIT and in MIND. (v 27)

*"I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." **Galatians 2:20***

Growing in Christian Character Strengthens ...

- The FAITH it takes to Stand TOGETHER in our spiritual battles. (v 28-30)

"And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you."

1 Peter 5:10

- A LOVE of Others in the FELLOWSHIP. (v 2:1-2)
- Genuine HUMILITY and SELF-Sacrifice. (v 2:3-4)
- Our COMMITMENT To CHRIST'S Calling. (v 1:27)

*"I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called" **Ephesians 4:1***

Salvation through Jesus Christ

*The single most important decision a person could ever make in their lifetime is to receive Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord. The Bible says, "all have sinned and fall short of God's glory" and we don't deserve eternal life because the wages of sin is death". Yet through God's love, only "Christ gives us eternal life by grace through faith"... it is a gift of God. God's word says, That if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is LORD and believe in your heart God raised Him from the dead YOU WILL BE SAVED. **The Bible says to REPENT of your sins. BELIEVE in Jesus receiving His forgiveness.** Then, identify with Christ and start living a new life in obedience to God by being BAPTIZED.*